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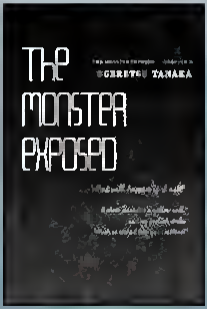


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GO AHEAD
CREAK
MANAGER...
IS IT AWRIGHT IF I FIX THIS?
AWRIGHT
WHAT-
THAT WAS KANSAI DIALECT!
OH, AND WHILE I'M AT IT I'LL WRITE UP THE SIGN-BOARD
HMMM DON'T THINK I'M FREE TONIGHT
HOW'S T'NIGHT LOOKING?
I'VE GOT NOTHIN' GOING ON MYSELF.

HAHA
IT LOOKS LIKE IT'S GONNA RAIN
IS THAT A GOOD ENOUGH REASON?
I WONDER IF IT REALLY WILL...
...RAIN?

# THE MONSTER EXPOSED



OGERETSU TANAKA

*What will happen if I ask?*

*A photo pinned to a yellow wall*
*and my foolish smile*
*Which is etched into your retinas?*

## THE STORY SO FAR

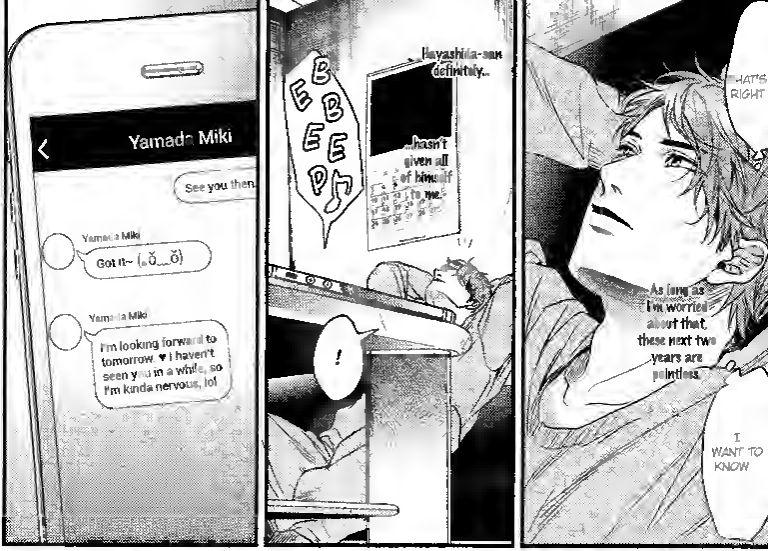
Hayashida, who was violent to a lover. In the past and his work underling Shuuna began a relationship as fuck buddies before becoming lovers. Recently Shuuna found out he was being transferred to Osaka. He told Hayashida he'd be gone for two years and couldn't help but worry about those old photos on Hayashida's bedroom wall.





Skreeetch
AAHHH
I CAN'T DECIDE!
TIPP!
TAPPA
TAPPA
TAPPA

.. I'd be without Hayashida-san
I didn't think
CHARACTER INTRODUCTION
Shouno - A newbie office worker. He's got a good attitude and is sociable.
Hayashida - Shouno's superior at work. Unsociable
I thought I'd make him smile constantly
Since we fell in love..
I thought I'd exist to support him.
I planned to make that a reality but ..
Even though I said what's past is past,
I can't help but be interested..
What do I do now?


Yamada Miki
See you then.
Yamada Miki
Got it~ (｡ŏ﹏ŏ)
Yamada Miki
I'm looking forward to tomorrow ♥ I haven't seen you in a while, so I'm kinda nervous, lol
BBEEP♪
Hayashida-san definitely...
...hasn't given all of himself to me...
!
...As long as I'm worried about that, these next two years are pointless.
I WANT TO KNOW
THAT'S RIGHT

Since the past...

WELL, SHE SAID IT WAS THE FIRST TIME
BUT IT WASN'T! I WAS TRICKED
I haven't paid any attention to position or rank.

WHY S THAT?
ISN T IT FINE IF IT S NOT THEIR FIRST TIME?
blank
WOULDN T IT MAKE YOU HAPPY TO BE THE FIRST, THE NUMBER ONE OF THE GIRL YOU LIKE?
I THINK YOU DON T GET IT CAUSE YOU RE SO POPULAR WITH GIRLS.
HOW SO?! WHY?! SHE LIED, RIGHT?!
chatter
Ahahal
BUT, IT S KINDA A CUTE LIE THOUGH?
YOU RE NARROW-MINDED
chatter
Noo Waaay!
I GET IT!
DO YOU REAL-LY?!
YOU WANNA BE THEIR FIRST BOY-FRIEND, THEIR FIRST LOVE
I was lying
The truth was I didn't understand it at all.
I GET IT!
YEAH?
LISTEN UP I WAS DOING IT RECENTLY AND
SOMETHING AMAZING HAPPENED
chatter
WHAT WAS IT?
chatter
WHOA!
WANNA HEAR? WANNA?
WELL, AAACTUALLY...
YEAH, YEAH, TELL US!

SIGGH
SIGGH
..have never been someone's number one.
Ugh
How awful, lol
I probably..
Oh no!
DON'T GET IT UP!
KEEP IT DOWN!
HEEE-HEEE, 3 TIIMES!
SERI-OUSLY, STOP!
KAHAHA!
CRAP, I'VE GOT A HARD ON
Hehe!
Hehe!
LISTEN UP, AYUMU!
I HEARD FROM MY FRIENDS THAT YOU'VE BEEN TELLING LOUD DIRTY JOKES IN THE CLASSROOM. HAVE YOU, REALLY?
HM?
AHHH YEAH I HAVE PUT
WELL KISHIMOTO IS SO INTE-RESTING
AND HIS GIRLFRIEND-
STOP IT!

I AM BUT IT'S FADING
YOU MAD?
I REALLY DON'T APPRECIATE MY BOYFRIEND TELLING WORTHLESS JOKES LIKE A HORNY DOG
I'M SORRY, SO FORGIVE ME
SORRY
IT'S EMBARRASSING, SO STOP
SHE'S BRINGING HER BOYFRIEND, TOO. THAT OKAY?
I'M TOTALLY IN!
IS THAT OKAY WITH YOU?
NEXT SUNDAY,
I'M MEETING UP WITH A FRIEND FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL, WHY DON'T YOU COME WITH?
GREAT!
SHE WANTED TO MEET YOU, SHE THINKS YOU'RE COOL
IT'S FINE!

Hmmm
UNRESTRAINED HUH
miki
@a
miki@
I'm so proud you're my boyfriend Ayumu ✨
You're so stylish and gentle and you're so unrestrained and spontaneous
I'm so glad you're always thinking about me ♡
I love you ♡♡
miki@a
STOMP
STOMP
Huh?
And I get those feet off the end table
DID YOU EAT MY ICE CREAM?!
I THOUGHT MINAKO GOT THAT FOR ME
A YU-MU!
SHE GETS MAD
I love you too
@a
BUT WHEN SHE HEARS ABOUT THE GUYS IN MY CLASS
NANAKO-CHAN, DON'T BULLY AYUMU
YEAH, YEAH.
SHE RAPPED ME
YEAH RIGHT, MORON
GO GET ME SOME MORE!

Well, that was fine by me.
They wanted an ideal boyfriend accessory
IT'S NOT LIKE I WANTED TO BECOME THEIR NUMBER ONE
Until now, all the girls who said they loved me...
...have known only my face. The real me was out of range.

Because I didn't have to think.

They'd say "do this" "be like this," it was an easy love.

HAAH
The way I am now will just make him anxious.
The way it is now won't work.
FOR NOW IT'S JUST AN ASPIRATION.
That's what I want to be.
AAHH...
I want to exist to support Hayashida-san.
REMEMBER!
Keep your head up, self! This isn't the time to waver!

SHUUNA, YOU DIDN'T CHANGE AT ALL!
SUCH A HOTTIE!
YEAAAH?
HEY...
DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN WE USED TO GO OUT IN HIGH SCHOOL?
OH YEAH?
WHAT?!
YOU'RE RIGHT. IT'S NICE THAT WE CAN HANG OUT THE SAME WAY.
...HEY CAN I SIT HERE?
SURE
THIS IS KINDA NOSTALGIC
IT'S LIKE WE'RE BACK IN HIGH SCHOOL!
YOU CAN DO ME IF YOU WANT...
YOU DRUNK? NO WAY.
Yay!
YOU'RE AS COLD AS EVER!
Gyahahaha!
Heading to the bathroom
Whaaat!
Yay!
What's that...
I'M GLAD!
UM... MIND IF I CALL YOU AYUMU AGAIN?
HAHAHA, JUST KIDDING
I REMEMBER

YOU'VE BEEN MY IDEAL EVER SINCE HIGH SCHOOL
HMM?
WELL IT'S JUST THAT WELL, AYUMU FITS YOU USING YOUR SURNAME SOUNDS SO FORMAL
WHAT FOR?
AREN'T YOU COMPLIMENTING ME TOO MUCH?
YOU THINK SO?
CALL ME WHAT YOU LIKE
YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED
LISTEN...
MY BOYFRIEND AND I BROKE UP.
SORRY.
DO YOU WANT TO HEAD SOMEWHERE ELSE, JUST THE TWO OF US?

I'M HEADING OUT
HUH?
I'M REALLY SORRY
WHAT?!
AH THAT'S RIGHT
THERE'S ONE THING I FORGOT TO TELL YOU
IT'LL BE A BOTHER.
I HAVE A LOVER.
SO PLEASE DON'T CONTACT ME AGAIN.
THIS...
...IS...
...POINTLESS.

THAT'S HOW IT WAS FROM THE BEGINNING
BUT I DON'T THINK THIS IS THE RIGHT WAY TO REGAIN MY CONFIDENCE
I'm not become an "ideal" for her
SORRY, I'M GOING.
SHUUN... ALREADY?!
If I can't have the "ideal" of supporting him, then...
The one I love is Hayashida-san.
There's no point in being someone else's "ideal."
I
THAT'S RIGHT BECAUSE I LOVE HAYASHIDA-SAN...

I ended up here...
But Hayashida-san thinks I'm in Osaka looking for an apartment...
I WASN'T HAVING AN AFFAIR?
I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING, BUT... BUT STILL IT DOESN'T SOUND GOOD...
BEEP BEEP
VRRRR
VRRRR
Hayashida-san
WHOA!
AHH

Did you get me meat buns?
...YES
HELLO?
AH NO, I DIDN'T
What?!
Did you eat a lot of octopus?
NOT YET
ANYWAY IT'S NOT OFTEN YOU CALL
It's fine if he...
You should be happy
YAY! YAHOO!
WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY HAYASHIDA-SAN?
I slept all day
I.
...DIDN'T GO TO OSAKA.

I'M SORRY FOR LYING TO YOU
MY EX WAS THERE TOO.
I WAS IN SHIBUYA, THERE WAS A HIGH SCHOOL REUNION.
THAT'S WHERE I WENT
Hm?
... You... d d her?
HUH?!
NO! THAT IS . SHE WAS THERE, BUT I DIDN'T HAVE AN AFFAIR
HUH? WE JUST SAW EACH OTHER? WE WEREN'T ALONE
HAYA-SHIDA-SAN! I...
ドキドキ

YOU'RE LOUD.
IDIOT.
YOU'LL WAKE THE NEIGHBORS.
UH... BUT...
BUT NOTHING.
COME UP HERE.
U-UH... BUM...

click
HAAH...
BRING THAT UP HERE.
'KAY
SCRT
WHAT?!

HAYASHIDA
ding dong
ding dong
YOU'RE...
...SLOW!
caclick
WELL?
HM?
click
SORRY
ALL YOU HAD TO DO WAS BRING THAT UP HERE.
SHHHH

I'M REALLY SORRY THAT I LIED TO YOU
NOT THAT.
DON'T YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU WANT TO SAY TO ME?
SAY IT.
...
...
HAYASHIDA-SAN IS THE REASON YOU'RE FINE WITH BEING APART FROM ME.
...THE FACT THAT YOU HAVE THAT PHOTO?

DOES THAT PICTURE HAVE...
...SOMETHING YOU CAN'T FORGET FROM YOUR HIGH SCHOOL LIFE NO MATTER WHAT?
THEN...
CAN I TAKE IT DOWN?
tap
THAT'S NOT IT
SOMETHING I CAN'T FORGET...
YOU...
...CAN'T...
THEN PLEASE BE HONEST AND TELL ME.
I'm unsteady
THE OTHER PERSON IN THAT PHOTO...
WERE YOU IN LOVE WITH HIM?

I want to care for him.
I want to support him.
DID YOU DATE HIM?
Ah, this is bad.
WAS HE YOUR FIRST LOVE?
This is a mistake.
...I'M COMPLETELY RIGHT.
...SO THAT'S WHY...
...YOU WON'T BE LONELY?
But when I see that photo on the wall it all crumbles.
PINCH
WHA...
I DON'T KNOW HIM, BUT BECAUSE HE'S HERE, YOU'RE FINE, RIGHT?
When it comes to him, I can't help it.
WHEN I'M GONE...

YOU CAN GO SEE HIM.
I end up wanting to hurt him.
Actually...
OH.
AM I WRONG?

GRAB
SHATTER

HAH
HAAH
HAAH...
HAH...
HAAAH
HAH..

WHY ARE YOU APOLOGI-ZING?!
I WAS THE ONE WHO...
I'M OKAY, SORRY
DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT...
THUD
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!
WHA...
Hooh...
Actually..

SHUU-NA
And it doesn't have anything to do with the present or the past.
It's not about hurting or being hurt.
FOR-GIVE ME
SORRY
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT
I just...
SHUUNA
want to be your number one.